Narrative Writing Task – Student Directions

Compose a letter of confession similar to the "Confession of Salem Jurors".

- Select a character from *The Witch of Blackbird Pond* and identify the confession that character will make. Consider the character's interactions with and treatment of Kit.
- Use the evidence chart handout to gather and record thoughts, information, and evidence about the character's confession from class notes on the time period and *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*.
- The letter should be written in first person and represent the viewpoint of the chosen character, given what you know about him/her and the historical setting.
- Use descriptive details and sensory language to develop the point of view of the character.

Possible character choices include:

- Uncle Matthew
- Aunt Rachel
- Judith
- Mercy

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- Reverend Bulkeley
- William Ashby
- John Holbrook
- The constable

The character my group chose is

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